DOINGS OF THE VAN LOONS & Father Didn't Know They Were Going to Spring Such a Hard One





GEE IN THE CITY A FELLOW ISN'T MUCH, L BUT HERE & CITY FELLOW IS THE BIG FROG IN THE POND . I'LL HAVE SOME FUN WITH THOSE "COUNTRY PUMPKINS"! I'LL OVER AWE THEM WITH MY SUPERIOR KNOWLEDGE'







Timely Observations of Events Happening in the Sporting World

MANY REASONS FOR LONG GAMES

Pitchers Slower Than Ever; Strategy Consumes Time

ing in print that the new rule inaugurated by President Johnson of the American league eliminating chazing after foul balls, so as to shorten basesall games, is a failure. They point to the indisputable fact that the games in the American league this season have been longer than before on the average. Hence the new rule is an absolute and unqualified failure. they insist. These critics overlook the point that the games this season are longer not because of the new rule, but in spite of it. There is no question in the minds of any unprejudiced person that the ignoring of a lot of fast talls, leaving them for the unaployed to chase, has cut out con siderable unnecessary delay in ball games. Any one who doubts it need enty to observe how many times a or an outfielder is saved a burney to the grandstand back to his position by the instructions to ampires to supply a new ball to the pitcher as eon as a foul is hit where it will re-

dre time to recover the ball, A few days of close observation would convince any one that the new method does save time, but there is the other fact that the games are geting longer on the average. Clames which used to be finished well inside of two hours now extend over two It is not at all unusual to see a corolat in which four or five runs of ring articles have been signed up are stores in the aggregate by both by Promoter McCarey. hast over two hours, although the hitting is light and few men get There must be a reason for this, but it is not because the chasing of roul balls has been eliminated. them, the American leasue game worthy this season, while many of the sames in which big scores are registered would last over 25 hours. The transmiss are several and not hard to find. Pitchers never used up so much as they are using this seasonsetting longer each year, Part of this and appearance. is due to the introduction of so many new pitchers who use the spitball or There are more who pretend than there are who use It regularly. Catchers give the signs distrately to avoid hurrying their pitchers, and also to mislead opponents, who are trying to catch the sighair. Then, after he has the catcher's sian calling for the next ball, the pitcher awaily has to go through the motions of moistening the ball-A contiderable number of slabmen do this

at what is coming, Many pitchers use more time than would be necessary actually to pitch team. the spitball, to make sure the batsmen will not think a quick application of moisture is merely a bluff. Some pitchers actually give themselves away by making their bluff at moistening the ball more pronounced than when they intend to deliver the spit-Judging by Mathewson's recent claim to have finished a game by pitching only 70 balls, it would be a an estimate to figure that each pitcher in a same will deliver at least 100 bulls on the average. If one of the two burlers is constantly bluffing the spliter that means a waste of 500 secnds between the signal and the de dvery of the ball. And 500 seconds is nearly 16 minutes. If both pitchers a a game are alleged spitball artists, e aggregate delay will be between 15 and 20 minutes in a game, This loss of time is all inaction,

moist breakers to convince the bats

men they can do it when they want to

stick to take the spitball into consid-

station every time they make a guess

the increasing practice of using sub- end of the week. The purchase price feet return to Lapp. It was world's stitutes both as the championship baseball. stitutes both at bat and on the bases. was not announced.

Here is an illustration; One team is a run or two behind, and the ninth nning is not far away. Somebody sear the lower end of the batting order gets in and the next man sacriices him to second. A catcher who is fairly good hittier comes up, and the opposing pitcher will take a chance on passing him rather than give him good balls, knowing that the pitcher who comes next is a cinch for him. The manager of the team that is beund intends to substitute a pir t hitter for that pitcher anyway, but Many of those who always are lined will not tip off his mitt in advance, probable, the Athletics and the New iters out I to 0, So he lets the pitcher go out and pretend he is going to but next. When pitcher is called back and the pinch series between the American and Na- rors. hitter is put in. The substitute, who has been sitting on the bench all this In such cases the o'd tengue will be phis club of the Southern league. time, has to pick out his bot and stroll represented by a high-class baseball. leisurely to the plate. Perhaps he beam, with a well-balanced pitching gets a hit or forces the catcher out, staff, including the min who must be so that he reaches first base, Usually these bench warming plach hitters cure of his time-Christy Mathewson. are veterans who have lost their The American league will go into acspeed, but not their batting eyes.

stratery of the game, or what they of the five-game series their best erlove to call the stratesy of it, is what forts at the but and in the field could the diamond. Hurry up this strategy that Brown, Houck Bush and Bender. er. Leave it alone and the same will men, though only a near-tail-end agget longer. But it won't be because for their batting prowers, made mer players are instructed not to chase foul balls

LANDS TWO BIG BOUTS.

Promoter McCarey Signs Heavy and Lightweights.

Los Angeles, Cal., Aug., 8 .- Two rets

Tommy Burns, representing Arthur

of Charicy Miller, met the local match, form. Connie may also be able to be maker at the Angus hotel and signed cruit a youngster or two during the Without the provision to pass up for the heavyweights to box twenty long Poils and let substitutes retrieve rounds on the night of September 23. Perhaps one of the youngsters on his Each manager posted a forfeit of present list may find himself during which ended inside of two hours \$500 to go as appearance money. would be exceptional and almost note- flurns announced that he would cancel Pelkey's theatrical dates and have his man here no later than Septem-

Also, Joe Rivers and Leach Crossigned for their twenty-round bout on Labor Day, each man posting a for-The interval between pitched balls is feit of \$1,000 for weight, 124 ringside

WOULD UNLOAD ON HUGGINS.

Big League Managers Offer Big As sortment of Trades.

St. Louis Mo., Aug. 8. Since the publication of the story that the entire Cardinal team is on the trading second place in view of the sort of bock, with the exception of Manager co-operation these young Athletics Miller Huggins, big league teams in all have developed during their years of parts of the country have rushed forward with offers of trades of all kinds. Pitchers, outfielders, infielders and most adept imitators sometimes suc-

with regularity, even if they do not catchers have been offered by the car ced in turning during the practice load but as yet none of the manusers Session. In the Detroit series I saw it is believed that his inability to reblich two spitballs during a game. who have so kindly come to the re-They will deliver just enough of the lief of the crippled Cardinals have the bug for a ball hit sharply through made offers that pleased Manager the box. He got it perhaps 20 fe as to compel the men with the Huggins. In fact, the majority of from the bag but never grasped it. these offers were of such a nature merely batting it to his mate, with that they were scorned immediately, but it is believed it won't be long before St. Louis has practically a new the bag. The toss was so perfect that

MAN EATING RACE HORSE.

"The meanest horse on the Grand steps. There were at least five points 'ircuit," is what some say of Dillar! of this play that could have gone S, the newest man cater. Dillard S., wrong and wrecked it. Few infieldraced at Grand Rapids but before he ers would have cared to attempt the Huggins, of the Cardinats, will keep started he bit a naver from a neigh- rensational way in which it was startboring groom who had volunteered to ed, but Collins knew that it was a tew days before Dillard had snipped way only. Twice in the series the a finger from his own groom. While pair, with Lapp's help, effectually on a half-mile track it is said the horse reached over the fence and bit on first and third. In one case Barry a man in the arm, breaking it.

CUBS BUY STEWART.

Chicago, Ill., Aug., 3 - The Chicago Nationals today purchased Outfielder playing the short position, saw the tion reads; Charles Stewart from the Indianapolis, American Association, club. Stewart One growing cause of inaction is is to report to the local club at the by an easy margin, through a per-

LOOK FOR THRILLS IN NEXT SERIES

Giants Strong in Box But Athletics Have Many Stars

York Giants lock horns this fall luantional league ought to be the result. considered the most heroic twirling it tion represented by a team of phocounger substitute is put on to run brilliant fielders and with but one Sox. unners also has to be announced. The the box. But in the other four games causing the increased inactivity on not basence the ineffective pitching mesiness and the game will be short- were serving to the Tigers. Jennings ry with each righthanded pitches Manager Mack trotted out. In one game they were also favored by the break in the luck. But the series, it if the Athletics win the world's series with their present line of fattle Plan's will have to bear a major share of the burden. Bender, who was such a tower of strength in the world's se-Pelkey and Louis Parente, manager ries. He may, of course, round into time that remains for adding eligibles the second half of the season. But this seems a forlorn hope. The Athferies will have to turn the triels with their bats and will surely find rough sledding in case the series decolops many pitching duels with an other than Plank on the mound. The greatest treat the writer has expersenced in a long time was the oppor tunity to watch Collins and Parry I me of their copyrighted pieces of teamwork that every now and then put a crimp in the Tiger scoring bee Evers and Tinker, in the days of the Cub's sensational campaign, develop

cute in a game the plays that their

speed. At he took the ball he kicked

he was already in position to com-

piete the double play by a perfect

himself a fleet runner, by almost two

blocked Tiger double steals, with men

10 or 15 feet in front of the base, not-

ed that the man on third was not

to Collins who got the man sliding in-

to second. In the other case Collins

break to the plate, intercepted the

throw and got his man at the plate

TAKES ARM OUT OF SPLINTS: PITCHES A NO-HIT BALL GAME.

Pitrifield, Mass., Aux., 8 .- William I. Smith, of the Pitteriold Eastern esociation baseball club, who took an njured arm out of splints recently pitched a no-hit game against Wat erisory, the next day shutting the vis-

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Smith did not give a pass and other world's series, one of the most struck out six men. Only three Walthe catcher gets on or gets out, the interesting competitions of the long croury players saw first, all on cr-

DIDN'T KNOW THIRD UMP.

Another Version of Story Told About Ping Bodie.

Here's a new version of an old one told on Ping Bodie: Ping was riding As soon as they get in a base a comenci batters and base ranners, on a street car with a fellow Walter or them. He has to be sent out from pitcher who can be relied on for uni- scores of the previous day's game in the bench to first base in complete the form effectiveness. The Mackmen, in the morning paper. Finally Ping switch. Meantime the claume of the series with Detroit which lately spoke up. It says here, Timpires eatsmen has had to be announced to closed, looked like the most offects Messra, Evans and Sheridan.' I may the crowd, and now the change of base ive chib in the world with Plank in Evans and Sheridan but I never go

a flash at that guy, Mesara," "He was the ostfield umpire," an swered Bodie's campanion. Didn't

"Oh, was that the dub?" ceplic-1 Ping. "Well, he didn't make any de-

"There weren't any close plays is the outfield yesterday," replied the other, "That's why,"

REAL NAMES OF FIGHTERS.

White Ritchie, Joe Rivers and Leach Cross, all of whom have been in the public eye of late, fight under assumed names. In fact a big percentage of ies of two years ago, is charged with the more prominent scrappers use stage names in the ring. Here is a list of the headliners, giving their real gebut in a Chicago uniform yesterday Leonard and Carrigan. Two-base hits appelation:

Poe Rivers-Pose Rivero. Tommy Burns-Noah Brusso. Stanley Ketchel was Stanislans Kel

K. O. Brown-Valentine Braun. Willie Ritchie-Geary F. A. Steffen. Charley White-Charles Anchowit George Chip George Chiputonia. Wildcat Ferns Clarence McCubbin Jack Britton-William J. Breslin.

MULLIN JUMPS CONTRACT.

Failure to Show Form Believed to Have Discouraged Him.

George Mullin, the Veteran pitche who was sold by Detroit to Washing ton and in turn sent from the Nation als to Montreal in the International ed many a clever play. But even this magnificent pair must be accorded league, bas jumped the latter club and has been suspended.

Mullia won one game and lost while with the Royals and it is as association. Collins and Barry exe- lieved that he became discouraged. The pitcher worked very hard in Gulfport during the past spring coting himself in line physical trim and Collins tear over at full speed toward gain his winning form caused him to tenve the game.

AN UNUSUAL RECORD.

his bare right hand. Barry was at full Wingo Steals Three Bases in Inning -First in 67 Games.

This is one of the peculiar incldents to tvey Wingo's base-stealing record this year. It required 67 games throw to first that best the batsman, for him to swipe three sacks and last Wednesday, afternoon he, performed second inning.

For the remainder of 1912 Manager Wingo behind the but because basn't a worthy nuccessor but it assist in getting the horse ready. A play which could be performed in this wouldn't be surprising if in 1914 Ivey will flach forth as an outfielder.

SOME BRITISH HUMOR.

this week depe to Uncle Sam carrying starting and let the throw go through a yatea, a pelo stick and a tennis rac attired in cricket flannels. The cap- Philadelphia ... c1200103x-7 9 1 new public service commission.

> "Uncle Sam-Say, John, what's your game anyway-cricket? Well, see here, mail me a copy of the rules phia. with the date of the next internation- | Boston, Mass., Aug. 8.-With the al championship. I'm crazy on cups." score tied and one out in the last half \$2,000 a year,

BASEBALL

LEAGUE STANDINGS. National League.

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ROUTON:	41	57	
incinnati	41	63	
t. Louis	29	64.	

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TODAY'S GAMES.

National League.

Roston at Pittsburgh. New York at Cincinnati. Philadelphia at Chicago, Brooklyn at St. Louis.

American League.

Cleveland at Washington. Chicago at Philadelphia, 30. Lovie at New York. Detroit at Boston,

YESTERDAY'S GAMES.

St. Louis, Mo., Aug. 8,-St. Louis

defeated Brooklyn here yesterday, although the victory was not well earned, Aller's wild throw to first base in the opening inning paved the way for the home team's victory.

and Hilderdand. Three-base hit -Kirkpatrick, Brooklyn, Home run-

Stuck, recently obtained from Brooklyn and held Philadelphia to four hits, of

Alben, Erooklyn.

Chicago 0.2 0 0 0 2 1 0 x - 5 8 2

Ratteries-Seaton, Mayer and Killier, Howley: Stack and Archer, Twoase hits-Knabe, Lobert, Philadelphia. Three-base hits-Williams, Leach, Chi-

Pittsburgh, Pa., Aug. X.-Wacner's wild throw from Catcher Clymer esterday and Pittsburgh won from Boston. Wagner was on first with two ut when Miller singled to center. 'arelessly be jaunted down to second and as all mer changed his mind about burrying the ball to third Wagner the ball over the third baseman's head Williams, New York. and Wagner scored,

on, Cammitz and Gibson, Two-bone hits Smith, Brown, Boston: Threegase hits Lord, Sweeney, Boston.

Cincinnati, Ohio, Aug. 8.- New York satted out a victory over Cincinnati In the ninth inning yesterday, Up to that inning it was a pitchers' battle be- smith. Three-base hit Fournier, Chitween Marquard and Johnson, Johncon retired in favor of a pinch-hitter. ercayn, who relieved him, was not

New York 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 1 4-5 8 0 incinnati 100000100-2 4 1 Eatteries Margiard, Fromme and Wilson, Hartley; Johnson, Brown and Kims. Three-base hit-Bescher, Cin-

American League. Philadeiphia, Fa., Aug. 8.—The se-

ries between Philadelphia and Clevehand went to the former two games o one when Cleveland was defeated here yesterday. Baker in four trips to K. Tener today gave a substantial rethe plate made two doubles and a sin- ward to a comrade of his old basebull London, Aug., 8.—Punch's cartoon gle and drew a pass. He scored two runs himself and drove in three more,

> Batteries-Mitchell, Ealkenberg and Neill, Carisch: Bender and Schang, friends ever since their ball playing Two-base hifs Baker (2). Philadel- days in the course of which both wer

Laurium Department

RUSH WORK ON EXTENSION OF POND WATER SYSTEM

FORCE OF MEN IS ENGAGED ON will be held in Marquette commencing BOLLMAN ADDITION IMPROVEMENT.

can yesterday under the direction of superintendent of the water departgrounds and two weeks should com- tentions of being present. At be extended to Fulton and Iroquois the neighboring congregations. Rev. Oscar Sandahi, of the Marquette stalled. This will prove adequate proand of the village. Hitherto, a stretch, cens in every detail. of at least 1,500 feet of home was necthe work is completed.

made. This iden was conveyed at the by the local league. lime the extension was considered and The nearest alarm station is some dis- with communion services, at which tance from the limits and residents the preparatory sermon of the gospel feel that the absence of the alarm for the day will be proushed by the the advisability of removing Box 4 to the local choir. Delegates and memthe fire station. This matter has long been of the local church will partake been before the board and individualy, the council favors the change,

brooklyn 011000000-2 6 1 of the minth Engle walked, stole sec-... 3 0 0 0 0 0 0 x -2 5 0 ong and on Speaker's long hit to right Batteries-Aflen and Miller: Griner field scored the run which gave Bos-

R H E main feature of this program will be in the trade for Ed Reulbach, made his McAlister, Alexander, Anderson, Hall,

- Hosper (2), Janvris, Boston; Austin. which two were bunts, and the locals Shotton, St. Louis. Three-base hit-Lewis, Boston R H E New York, N. Y., Aug. 8:-New York Philadelphia ... 000100001-2 4 1 evened up the series with Detroit yesterday by winning the last game. outpitched the veteran Lake. The Yau- | 4

beed used two Texas league recruits. 4 Cook, an outfielder, made two singles ; and a double in four times up, Williams | ტტტტტტტტტტტტტტტტტტტტ cretty bore running in the tenth drew played a sensational game at first and also hit a Jong home run. Detroit 1.0000000000-1 3 New York 00200012x-510 1 Patteries-Lake, Hall and Stanage, I

McKee; Schulz and Gossett, Two base hits Kright, Harriell Cook, New sprinted for that base. Clymer threw York: Stamage, Detroit. Home run-Washington, D. C., Aug. 8.-Chicago

made it three out of four by winning01200000-311 3 from Washington vesterday, Washing-.200100001-4 s 3 ton played miserably in the field. Four-Batteries Hess and Brown; Bobins after hit a homer, a triple and a single out of five times up.

Chicago015020210-4111 Batteries-Cicotte, Berst and Schalk Engel, Harper, Gallia and Henry, Am eago. Home rang-Fournier, Weaver

American Association, Columbus, 7: Milwankee, 4:

Toledo, To St. Paul, 8. Indianapolis, 5; Minneapolis, 1; first

Indianapolis, 2: Minneapolis, 2: sec ind came; twelve innings, darkness. Kannas City, it Louisville, 3.

HELPS OLD BALL PLAYER.

Gov. Tener of Pennsylvania Hands Out Fine Commission.

Harrieburg, Pa., Aug., 8 .- Gov John days when he appointed George Wood once a member of the Philadelphia R H E national league team and a mighty quet and talking to John Bull who is Cleveland 200000010-2 9 1 outfielder and hitter, marshal of the

> Gov. Tener and Wood have beer with the Chicago Nationals on a trip around the world. Wood's salary is

LUTHER LEAGUE MEETING.

Two Local Delegates Will Attend Session at Marquette. The annual convention of the Swed-

ish League of the Ishpeming district Satur day, August 9 and ending Monday, August II. Russell Johnson and stills Millie Frisk left today to attend ension in the Bollman addition be- the meeting. This district embraces all the congregations east as far as the Son west as far as Calumet and south as far as fron River and Iron ment, John Stetter. The pipe, 900 Mountain, One hundred and twentyfeet eight inches in diameter, is on the five delegates have signified their inplote the entire work. The main will six hundred visitors are expected from Swedish Lutheran church is doing all tection from fire to the entire north lie can to make the convention a suc-

The convention opens Saturday aftenery to reach property in the Boll- ermoon at 2 c'clock with a business mann addition through any part of the session and a supper will be served section will be reached with the lay- to all the delegates in the church ing of not more than 500 feet when parlors at 5 o'clock. At 7:30 o'clock, Saturday evening an interesting pro-With the tapping of the main, it is gram will be given by the delegates. not improbable that request for an After the program, a light reception plarm box in that vicinity will be will be given to the visiting delegates

Sunday morning at 10 o'clock, the swarance of consideration was given, regular high mans service will be held station may some time result in dis- Rev. Fred Wyman, of Ishpeming, aster. At the same time it is not un- president of the league. During the likely that the council will consider service anthems will be rendered by of the communion at the high moss, erved in the church pariors, which will be followed by a program at 2 to 'Gock: Supper will be served at 5 relock and at 7:30 in the evening, an-

> Prayer will be held Monday morame at 19 o'clock, at which the delegaies will assemble for morning devotion. After the devotion the day will be given up for a picnic which will be held at Presque tele and which will end

the convention.

LAURIUM BREVITIES.

John Murley, of Cleveland, has ar-R H E rived in Laurium to join his wife, who has been visiting here for the past two errors, Mr. and Mrs. Murley will leave Surslay for Ishpeming enroute to their home. Mr. Murley was formerly enaved as foreman for the Lakeside

Gordon R. Campbell left last night

Thomas S. Kemp of Painesdale was Laurium visitor yesterday. He will save shortly for Dayton, O.

Mr. and Mrs. J J Moore and chiliren, Lorena and Robert of Superior, are visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Shellman, 224 Kearsurge street. Mr. and Mrs. Moore formerly resided in Laurium.

BACK ON THE BISHOP.

ecture on "Fools" at the New York Chautangua. In introducing him Birhon Vincent said:

Ladies and gentlemen, we are now a listen to a lecture on Fools' by one' the andience broke into a roar of aughter and after it had died away ishop Vincent added-"of the most rillian men in America."

Dr. Hensen rose and with a genial mile said "Ladies and gentlemen, am not so great a fool as Bi-hop. Vincent'-mother roar of laughter, ifter which the speaker addedwould have you believe."-Judge.

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